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Chambers' amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. Members, it gets a little buzzy in here at times, so if you could, please, respect the speaker and hold it down if you can, please. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, next motion.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend with FA1539. (Legislative Journal page 946.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, to open on FA1539.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this is an amendment that will deal with the definitional section. It does not change a definition. In the old days when a definition was being given, the structure of the sentence would say whatever the word is then "shall mean." The way the bills are drafted now is not with the words "shall mean" but with a single word "means" m-e-a-n-s. So on page 5 in lines 23 and 24 and 28, on page 6 in lines 3, 12, 15, 21, and 26; on page 7 in line 6 strike and show as stricken the two words "shall mean" and insert the one word "means." Then on page 7 in line 4 strike "shall mean" and insert "means." That is what the amendment does. And if you have any questions, I'll answer them. Don't ask me why I'm doing this, though, because I might not answer that.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. You've heard the opening on FA1539 offered by Senator Chambers to LB 888. Open for discussion. Senator Friend.

SENATOR FRIEND: Thank you, Mr. President. I just read his amendment and found the pages and I'm fine with the amendments. Thank you. And I don't know why.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Friend, are you finished?

SENATOR FRIEND: Yes, I am.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Okay. I didn't mean it that way, sorry about that. Any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Chambers,